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April 18, 2005

Darrell Soyars Sierra Pacific P.O. Box 10100 Reno, NV 89520-0024

Dear Mr. Soyars:

DOCKET 04-1EP-1D DATE APR 1 8 2005 RECD APR 1 9 2005

Re: Application for Confidential Designation, Docket No. 04-IEP-1D

On March 25, 2005, Sierra Pacific Power Company (Sierra Pacific) filed Environmental Performance Report Forms CEC 1304, Schedule 2, Part A with the California Energy Commission (Energy Commission) for use in the 2005 Integrated Energy Policy Report proceeding.

As part of that filing, Sierra Pacific, in footnote typed at the bottom of each page "*...Fuel Cost will be kept confidential", on the forms filed. Be advised that before the information contained in the forms submitted by Sierra Pacific can be designated as confidential by the Energy Commission, Sierra Pacific will need to submit an application for confidential designation (application).

A properly filed application must be submitted to the Energy Commission's Docket Unit and shall include:

- A statement indicating what part(s) of the submitted materials need a confidential designation.
- A statement indicating the length of time the submitted materials should remain confidential and the reason for that length of time.
- A statement indicating the provisions of the Public Records Act or other applicable laws that allow the Energy Commission to deem the submitted materials as confidential, and an explanation why those provision(s) apply. For example, if the materials contain trade secrets or would result in a competitive disadvantage to Sierra Pacific if made public, please state how the competitive disadvantage would result, and the ease or difficulty with which the information could be legitimately acquired or duplicated by others.
- A declaration, under penalty of perjury, that the application is true, correct, and complete to the best of the applicant's knowledge and belief.

- A statement declaring that the materials Sierra Pacific has submitted have not been publicly released, and whether the information can be masked or aggregated and released to the public.
- Ten copies of the materials seeking the confidentiality determination.

Be assured that the materials Sierra Pacific has already submitted will be unavailable for public disclosure until Sierra Pacific's application is received and a confidentiality determination has been made by the Energy Commission's Executive Director. If we do not hear from Sierra Pacific within 14 days of this letter, however, the materials you have already submitted will be deemed public. If you have any further questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (916) 651-8893.

Sincerely,

THOMAS GLAVIANO, JR.

Staff Counsel

cc: Docket Unit, 04-IEP-1D